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"A METHOD FOR REDUCING For: CORROSION IN A FERMENTOR"

(As Amended)

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Dear Sir:

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Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56 and 37 CFR §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby provides the attached Form 1449. Documents listed on the attached Form 1449 were of record in the parent application hereof, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/968,628, filed November 12, 1997, and the related applications, and since the above-identified patent application is a continuation thereof, copies of those identified documents are not being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.98(d).

Applicant does not admit that any of such documents, alone or in any combination; is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56(b).

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Respectfully submitted,

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